ation and happy future of ed States has lent friend-

May 23. Mr. Hughes had called cention to recent public discussion of a subject, and asked the Secretary the Treasury to recite the manner which the claims of American citems against the Russian Government d been handled. He asked also for y additional information "which ght be considered helpful for a public descriptions of the metter."

Liberty Bond acts the Secretary

munitions, including remounts, ex-

"It would seem clear that only a comparatively small portion of the total expenditures of the Russian Government in this country during the period referred to was made from funds advanced by the United States Treasury in view of the fact that it appears from the reports filed by the Russian representatives with this department that of the \$187,729,750 so loaned about \$125,000,000 was transferred by the Russian Ambassador to the account of the Russian Ambassador to the account of the Russian Aministry of Finance at Petrograd and only the balance of about \$62,000,000 was retained by the Russian Ambassador for expenditures in this country.

Borls Alexandrovitch Bakhmeteff came to the United States in 1917 as the representatives are considered.

Tooth Driven Into Larynx Caused Aviator's Death

AUSANNE, Switzerland, June 4.—A tootic driven through the larynx caused the death of the Swiss aviator Johner, who al thousand feet last Thurs-None of the aviator's bor was broken, and an autopsy dis-closed that except for a tooth found in one of his lungs there were no

Department paid to this Government out of Russian Inuids, sums amounting to speed from this amount had been drawn by American diplomatic and consular officers in Turkey, to cover expenditures connected with the repesentation of Russian interests by the United States and for aid and protection of Russian citizens in Turkey of the United States into the war.

Secretary Mellon's Letter.

The letter of the Secretary of the Treasury addressed to the Secretary of State on June 2, covering the question of loans to Russia and the financial relations of Mr. Bakhmeteff with this Government, was written in response to a request from Mr. Hughes under date of May 23. Mr. Hughes had called attention to recent public discussion of the subject, and asked the Secretary

"This made the total deposits in the liquidation account aggregate about \$76,000,000, and the total disbursement from this account for the period in question also amounted to about \$76,000,000. From the reports of the Russian representatives, it appears that these disbursements were made for supplies transportation storage, inspecfrom May 16, 1917, to November 15, 1917, when the Kerensky government fell, was \$187,729,750. On November 15, 1917, an additional loan of \$1,329,750 was advanced and used in payment of Interest on obligations held by the Government of the United States.

These obligations are signed by Boriz Bakhmeteff, as Ambassador, under authority which had been given him by his government. Of the money lent by this Government to Russia the Ambassador transferred \$125,000,000 to the account of the Russian Minister of Finance at Petrograd, reserving \$62. 600,000 here. From April 6, 1917, to March 4, 1921, the total expenditures of the Russian Government in this country amounted to \$231,000,000, showing the Russian Government in this country amounted to \$231,000,000, showing the American Government of the Contracts of the Promisional Government of the Russian Government in this country amounted to \$231,000,000, showing that only a comparatively small part of the American loan was used for these expenditures.

Liquidation of Claims.

Secretary Melion's report tells of Ilquidation fund established with the National City Bank of New York, and describes how the American claims were disposed of. His statement follows:

"It appears that under the authority of the Liberty Bond acts the Secretary achievement in view of the extent of Industries Board, with the result that the outstanding contracts were settled by payment, cancellation and other means, without loss to American contractors. This settlement, I should say, in may well be regarded as a noteworthy of the Liberty Bond acts the Secretary achievement in view of the extent of Industries Board, with the result that the outstanding contracts were settled by payment, cancellation and other means, without loss to American contractors. This settlement, I should say, in may well be regarded as a noteworthy of the Liberty Bond acts the Secretary achievement in view of the extent of Industries Board, with the result of Industries Board, with the result of Industries Board, with the resu

may well be regarded as a noteworthy achievement in view of the extent of the liabilities involved in such contracts and the comparatively limited amount of cash available here to the Russian Government for use in respect

Liquidation Virtually Completed.

"On February 14, 1921, the Treasury mass informed by the Russian representatives that the liquidation of the Russian Government of Russian for the amount of St. 50,00,000. No loans were made by the Treasury to the Russian Government after the fall of the Provisional Government of Russian for the most part completed, and an arrangement was thereupon entered into where plied by the Russians to the provisional Government of the United States had been for the most part completed, and an arrangement was thereupon entered into whereby the liquidation account as such was closed out March 4, 1921, and the balance therein, amounting to \$70, which were simultaneously applied by the Russians to the payment of interest to the Government of the United States." "The funds advanced by the Treasury of the Russians to the payment of interest to the Government of the United States." "The funds advanced by the Treasure of the Russians to the payment of interest to the Government of the United States." "The funds advanced by the Treasure of the Russians to the payment of interest to the Government of the United States." "The funds advanced by the Treasure of the States and applied on necount of interest to the Bussian Government of the United States." "The funds advanced by the Treasure of the Russians to the payment of interest due and payable on Russian Government in accordance with the Liberty bons, acts, in the same ments, and the funds so paid for these obligations became the funds of the Russians to the secure to them from the remaining business of liquidation which would, prior to the closing out of the would, prior to the closing out of the would, prior to the closing out of the would prior to the closing out of the soligations became the funds of the Russian fovernment in accordance with the Liberty bons, acts, in the same provided to the remaining business of liquidation which would, prior to the closing out of the would, prior to the closing out of the would, prior to the closing out of

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U. S. MEDAL IS GIVEN TO HEROIC VERDUN

Poincare: Defends Arms Policy in Accepting Tribute From American People.

INSISTS CLAIMS JUST

Military Force Needed Safeguard the Nation, Premier Says.

Crowds Cheer When, Ambassa dor Herrick Makes Presentation to Historic City.

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The Remier then referred to the ties which so long bound the two nations together. Divergencies of opinion were inevitable, but they were not incompatible with the continued existence of loyal understanding he said.

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with the continued existence of loyal understanding he said.

"It is desirable when divergencies occur," he added, "that public opinion in the countries concerned does not grow restive, but retains its composure and patience, not allowing it to be supposed that a fleeting difference could shake an unshakable friendship.

"It has been attempted since peace was signed to foist upon America a legend, which the common sense of your great people rejects more and more every day, of a millitaristic France, an imperialistic France. Such is the slogan of her revilers. I am quite aware that mere denial from the French Government would not avail to put an end to this despicable campaign. The honest people whose judgment is disconcerted by it require something more than denials to be undeceived.

"But we are entitled to request them before they condemn us to imagine them—before they condemn us to imagine them—selves in the position of France—to relogicus for further action.

"We, therefore, must strive to effect our admittance to the league, albeit in a manner befitting our dignity as a nation," he says.

The former Ambassador proposes that Geneva by officiating as her godmother. He suggests as a requisite condition to Germany's acceptance into the league that her status as one of the major Powers be vouchsafed her, as it was at Genoa.

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French Birth Rate Falls; 13 Per Cent. More Deaths

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A lation it is only a question of one generation before the population of France will diminish at the rate of 200,000 a year, staat the rate of 200,000 a year, sta-tisticians declare after a study of partial birth and death statistics fo the first quarter of 1922. These show that in nineteen departments, about one-fifth the population of France, only three report an ex-cess of births over deaths and in-dicate a total excess of deaths over births of 13 per cent. These figures do not bear out the optimism, exlo not bear out the optimism ex pressed when in the two years nediately following the war mar-riages jumped more than 200 per cent. over the prewar rate.

ASKS (FOR JUSTICE HERE GOLD MIGHT ALTER SOVIET PRINCIPLES

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onsumption to reward the die action of properting him."

Radek does not think that the difference in the interpretation of private property rights should form a permanent obstacle between the Soviet Government and capitalist States. He insists that the Russians have already recognized the principle of private property, reserving merely possession of a part of large industries for communistic axploitation.

dorse our checks, we shall pay everything."

Mr. Herrick assured France of the
fleep friendship of the United States,
which though it might not prevent
disagreements and misunderstandings,
would dissipate and survive them.

"Verdun and valor are forever one
and inseparable," said the Ambassadr. "Here blazed the spirit of France.

"And so this medal, which I
give to this illustrious city, kallowed
by the sacrifices and courage of all
France, is a tribute from the whole
United States to all of France."

Cheered by Verdun Crowds.

Both the French Premier and American Ambassador were greeted with enthusiasm when they arrived at the Verdun station at noon.

In his speech accepting the medal
Premier Poincare called attention to the
fact that he is a resident of Verdun, and
added:

"Never have the President and the
Congress of the United States of Amer
LLOYD GEORGE FINDS

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general cancellation, beginning with
the Solve parameter of the Dail Eireann,
Reportered to wait until they knew
the date of such a general debt repudiation.

Concerning the government's policy
at the Hague, Radek said it would depend upon the discussions of the Soviet
Genoa delegates with the Communist
party leaders upon their return to Moscow. It is considered significant that
the "Crost would subside rapidly.

The tentative document contained
some "Superfluous" clauses which drew
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LLOYD GEORGE FINDS TRUE HARMONY AT LAST Says What Genoa Lacked

Welsh Music Festival Had.

BRITISH IN ATTACK RETAKE TOWN ON ULSTER BORDER

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marched from Enniskillen along the western side of Lough Erne toward Belleek.* Artillery with armored cars, tenders and all the customary-paraphernalla of war in its train also ratted along the narrow road. It was planned to place big guns in position near Roscoe where they would command not only Maghersmena Castle but also Belleek and the fort overlooking it, occupied by Sinn Fein forces.

Another phase of the operations was the landing of troops on Boa Island, the largest island in Lough Erne, from one point of which it is but a mile across the channel to Uister territory occupied by Sinn Fein forces. This move was carried out with dramatic suddenness. Over two hundred soldlers left Enniskillen Saturday afternoon and proceeded to Kesh, a small village off the main road near Clonelly post office, where several byroads lead to Lough Erne.

all day Saturday on a six mile front, without perceptible result.

Border firing was resumed to-day by Republicans at Lifford in the direction of Starbane, in the course of which a special constable was shot while on duty at Camel's Hump

IRISH CONSTITUTION CHANGES ARE MADE Redraft Expected to Fulfill

Terms of Treaty.

The Irish delegates presented one serious objection to modeling their constitution in accordance with the Canadian constitution. The usual constitution of a British dominion formally provides that a committee of the English Privy Council be the ultimate court of appeal in law cases in any part of the empire. This clause usually is inoperative, though occasionally it is invoked.

GERMANY MUST PAY MORE FOR SUPERVISION

Commissions Increased.

Bealin, June 4 (Associated Press) .abers of the Entente Control Commissions assigned to duty in Ger-nany have been voted special cash al-owances, in addition to their salaries, or the four months beginning March 1,

for the four months beginning March 1, as follows:
Chiefs of Commissions, 71,250 marks;
Generals, Colonels and Lieutenant-Coionels, 53,025 marks; ranking Meutenant-Colonels and Majors serving in executive capacities, 27,875 marks; Majors, 34,100 marks; Captains and Lieutenants, 32,200 marks; non-commissioned officers, 17,500 marks; privates, 10,600 marks. The allowances are to be paid on the basis of foreign exchange.
Although the allowances, were voted by the Council of Ambassadors on April 15, Gen. Maurice Nollet, chief of the French military mission, has just advised the German Foreign Office of the increases.

RABIES IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

Ex-War Minister One of 66 Victime in Hospitals.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 4.—An epidemic of rables is causing consternation in Constantinople and the suburbs, Sixty-six patients have been admitted to

Assassinate Magistrate Leaving Newry Cathedral

BELFAST, June 4.—James Flan-agan, a resident magistrate, was shot and killed this Cathedral after mass. As stepped from the door he was proached by three men, one whom said: "Come with us."

of the Provincial Government here and unanimously approved.

Editorials in the British press to-day which are being widely circulated here were interpreted as an attempt to bluff the pro-treaty leaders into splitting with De Valera and assuming a ruthless hand in putting down the opposition. The delegates in London discount the "crisis" and say that the negotiations are "getting on all right."

ONE KILLED, 20 HURT IN BELFAST FIGHTING

Republicans and Specials Bat-

Belfast, June 4 (Associated Press).

One civilian was killed and twenty were wounded during two hours of sharp fighting Saturday night between Republicans and specials in Cromac and Joy streets. The constabulary riddled houses with machine gun and rife fire, while the civilians used bombs. rifles and pistols. A saloon was wrecked by a bomb.

As the curfew hour approached communication with the center of the city was cut off and every one on the streets was searched, with much resulting inconvenience to many hurrying to catch the last trains.

LABOR PROGRAM OUT FOR IRISH ELECTION Compulsory Farm Work Is Part of the Platform.

CORK, June 4.—At the first public meeting held to-day in connection with the city elections Labor Candidate Day cutlined his party's program. It pledged self-determination, anti-militarism, compulsory tilifing of the soil, the housing of workers and an improvement in the industrial system with a view to bringing about employment and thereby abolishing the unemployment doles, which were declared to be degrading to the nation.

Dublin, June 4.—In the coming elec-tions contests for seats by representa-tives of the farmers union and of the Labor party appear to be certain in at least seventeen of the twenty-seven group constituencies. Twenty-two can didates have been named by the farmers and eighteen by the Labor party. LARKIN WILL NOT RUN

FOR DAIL EIREANN

See Trouble With De Valera.

Considerable difficulty is expected in getting De Valera and other extreme Republicans to admit the oath clause in the constitution. Many of them if they are returned to the next Dall—or provisional Parliament—are expected to refuse to take this oath even though it is provided in the constitution.

Though the oath is essentially a formality; the provision for carrying an appeal into an English court (the Privy Council) awakens Republicans' resentment. They argue that such a provision partly nullifies the treaty clause conferring a dominion status on weland, because though contained in the Canadian constitution the expense of such procedure, owing to the distance Canada is from England, has rendered the clause practically obsolete.

Whether the inclusion of the oath and this judicial clause in the constitution will or will not cause another rift between Collins and De Valera, the Griffith-Collins combination now seems to be divided on certain points, although

SWITZERLAND BARS SOVIETS FROM GENOA Salaries of Entente Control Only Krassine Permitted to Commissions Increased. Make Short Stay There.

Geneva, June 4.—The Swiss Government has refused permission to members of the Soviet delegation who attended the recent economic conference at Genoa to make a short stay in Switzerland "to attend to private busisness."

VLADIVOSTOK ELECTS DIEDRICHS PRESIDENT

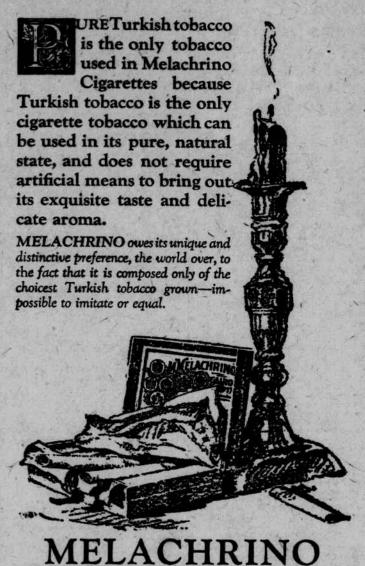
Ex-Minister of War Succeeds Merkuloff, Arrested. London, June 4.- A Reuter dispatch

London, June 4.—A Reuter dispatch from Vladivostok says Gen. Diedrichs, former Russian Minister of War and at one time commander of the western armies of the Omsk Government, has been elected President of the Vladivostok Government. The dispatch adds that pending the arrival of Gen. Diedrichs in Vladivostok Gen. Moltchanov is acting President.

A dispatch from Viadivostok last week said that President Merkuloff had been ousted from the Presidency and put under arrest.

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